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TAGS: MASS, PK, US

SUBJECT: FOLLOW-ON AIRCRAFT FOR PAF

REF: STATE 030928

1. PAF HAS INFORMED LTV AND NORTHRUP REPS IT WOULD

LIKE TO SEND FOUR-MAN TEAM TO THE STATES BEGINNING

MARCH 9 TO LOOK AT

AND TEST FLY BOTH A-7 AND F-5E.

TEAM WILL CONSIST OF TWO PILOTS AND TWO TECHNICIANS.

PILOTS NOMINATED ARE SAID TO BE EXCELLENT OFFICERS WHO ARE TWO

OF MOST PROFICIENT IN PAF. PRESENT PLANS CALL FOR

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK MARCH 9 THEN FLYING TO DALLAS

VIA LTV COMPANY AIRCRAFT FOR TWO WEEKS WITH A-7.

FOLLOWING TWO WEEKS WOULD BE SPENT SEEING AND FLYING

F-5E. COMPANIES AND PAF KNOW WE PREFER THAT ALL

ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE DIRECTLY WITHOUT OUR INVOLVEMENT

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AND ARE PLANNING VISITS ON THAT BASIS.

2. AIR CHIEF MARSHAL ZULFIQAR'S ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF HAS TOLD US THAT ALTHOUGH PAF IS LEANING TOWARD A-7, THE AIR FORCE HAS OPEN MIND ON ISSUE OF REPLACEMENT AIRCRAFT AND PLANS TO CONSIDER ALL ALTERNATIVES BEFORE MAKING FINAL DECISION. PAF IS ALSO INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHETHER MCDONNELL DOUGLAS IS STILL PRODUCING A-4 AND HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN SEEING AND TEST-FLYING THE AIRCRAFT. WE HAVE SUGGESTED TO PAF IT HAVE ITS ATTACHE R SWASHINGTON CONTACT THE FIRM DIRECTLY ON THIS ISSUE. DEPARTMENT MAY ALSO WANT TO CONSIDER INFORMING MCDONNELL DOUGLAS OF PAF INTEREST AND SUGGESTING THEY MAY WISH TO CONTACT AIR ATTACHE IN WASHINGTON. BYROADE

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